## The Traywick Chronology-From Firing

OU's former president. Dr. Leland E. Traywick now has a suit in District Court asking for \$31,396 severance pay. The events leading to such action are as follows:

In the beginning . . .

February, 1964-OU Board of Regents President Varro Rhodes appoints two committees -a faculty and a regents—to search for a successor to OU President Dr. Milo Bail. Bail plans to resign September, 1965.

Mid-March, 1964 - The two committees have a list of .41 possible replacement candidates.

Fourteen are deemed top choices. Dr. Elroy J. Steele submits Dr. Leland E. Traywick's name early in the search.

June 1, 1964 - The Southwest Missouri State regents demand the resignation of the college's president, Dr. Traywick.

June 2. 1964 - Drs. Davis and Harris fly to Springfield, Mo. They are surprised to hear about the Traywick controversy from a taxi cab driver. "The whole town's upset. Everybody's on Dr. Traywick's side," says the cab driver.

"This was our first knowledge of any controversy," recalls Dr. Davis.

Week of June 7, 1964 - SMS regents issue a 24-page report detailing their dissatisfaction with Dr. Traywick. Basic reason for dismissal is difference over administrative matters. Traywick promptly mails a copy of the report to the OU regents.

June 13, 1964 — Traywick has a long breakfast (8 till noon) with seven OU deans. After a thorough grilling, the deans say, "Don't look any further."

July 20, 1964 - Both com-

mittees declare Traywick is their first choice.

July 23, 1964 - The regents give their unanimous endorsement to Dr. Traywick.

July 28, 1964 - The regents publicly announce that Dr. Traywick will become the eighth president of the University on February 1, 1965.

January 31, 1965 - Dr. Bail retires after serving OU for 161/2 years as its president.

February 23, 1965 - Traywick meets the faculty for the first time officially tonight. He tells the members he hopes

his administration will be one of working "with" the faculty, not having the faculty working "for" the administration.

He also has hopes of shortly announcing the immediate and long-range plans for the University.

March 22, 1965 - Travwick initiates the Committee of the Future to decentralize authority at OU. He wants deans, department heads and faculty members to have more of a say in University affairs.

He personally selects Dean (Contd. on page 3)



## **Student Council Plans** To Air Traywick Firing

Plans were announced at the Student Council meeting Wednesday for an airing of the conflict between discharged president Leland E. Traywick and the University Board of Regents.

Council president, Jim Butler, explained that Regents president Robert Spire has agreed to appear before the student body and field questions concerning the firing of Traywick.

No date has been set, but Butler hopes something can be arranged within the next two weeks.

The council is also planning an appreciation dinner for Traywick. Doug Slaughter is handling the arrangements and says it is tentatively planned for February third in the Student Center

The dinner will be attended by student government organizations and the entire student body is invited. Slaughter says tickets will probably cost \$2.25.

The council will present a scrapbook to Traywick as a remembrance of OU and "thanking him for helping the university."

A booth will be set up in the Student Center next week where all students are urged to sign the book. Butler explained that the council is opposed to the firing of

Traywick, but there is not much they can do. "From the students standpoint," Butler explained, "Traywick

was a good president." He added, "Traywick always had time to talk to students." Turning to another matter, Butler said the council does support the Young Republican's investigation into some of the "no

Again, Butler said there is not much the council can do, but they will consider any proposal. Craig Reisser, the YR who presented the petition to the council calling for the investigation, says he plans to try and get

parking" areas north of the campus in the Fairacres district.

a hearing with the Omaha City Council sometime over semester

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#### **Snow Secret**

It's no secret what the young lady is doing kneeling in the snow. Kathy Specht is risking frostbite to pose prettily for the Gateway camera as she becomes this semester's 12th and final Coed of the Week. The honor came as a kind of bonus birthday present for Kathy - she celebrated her 20th birthday yesterday. The sophomore home economics major is Rush Chairman for her sorority - Sigma Kappa - and is a member of Indiannes. Campus activities still leave time for a campus job - our Coed works 15 hours a week as a receptionist in OU's computer center.

Any fulltime student enrolled at the University of Omaha who is interested in editing the 1968 TOMA-HAWK. University yearbook, is invited to make application prior to noon on January 16, 1967.

Application forms and additional details may be obtained from Dr. Paul V. Peterson, Director of Student Publications, Room 116 Engr. Bldg.

### OU Instructor To Participate In Iowa Project

Charles Sedlacek from OU's physics department has been selected to participate in the Iowa Visiting Scientist Program, headquartered at the University of Iowa.

The Visiting Scientist Program involves demonstrations, lectures and career discussions in high schools in the area. Many of the science instructors on campus have been active in these programs, not only physics instructors.

The program usually means one or two visits per semester and physicist Sedlacek pointed out, "It brings a person into contact with science on a different level." The program is voluntary but the structors are given a stipend for time and expenses.

Mr. Sedlacek says, "It is interesting to see what is going on at the secondary level and that it gives college teachers a different point of view. This is my main reason for participating in this project."

Nebraska also has a Visiting Scientist Program and Mr. Sedlacek has served in it as well as the Iowa program.

The class schedule for the second semester 1966-67 is now available to students. It may be obtained in the Information Office in the Administration Building.



Naylor ... lower tuition, increase enrollment

## Acting-President **Vows Low Tuition**

By Bob Erxleben

"I'm pledging myself to lowering the tuition for OU students." Thus did acting university president Dr. Kirk Naylor express his concern over the climbing tuition and falling enrollment at OU, in an interview with the Gateway editor.

The goal, of course, involves acquiring additional funds, something involved in nearly all of his future plans. Just where the funds will come from is still a bit uncertain. Dr. Naylor saidthat he is studying possible sources of revenue and forms of state aid.

"However," he qualified, "I'm not yet in a position to say what may be done in this area."

Federal and state monies seem the logical source for bolstering the school's coffers. Fund raising at least to this point, hasn't figured much in university finances. Prospects for a mill-levy

On that, Naylor said, "I don't forsee the university seeking a mill-levy increase anywhere in the near future. That's not to say we won't seek an increase at a future date, it just seems unlikely

The amount that tuition could be cut depends, naturally, on the amount of aid acquired. The decrease would be computed on the number of credit-hours per annum for the entire student

Naylor explained, "In a full year-fall, spring and summer sessions—OU students pay for a total of 175,000 credit-hours. Therefore, for every \$175,000 we raise, tuition can be cut one dollar.'

Dr. Naylor estimated that a tuition cut could attract an additional 10 to 15 per cent of high school graduates from the Omaha area. At present, OU enrolls between 40 and 45 per cent of Omaha area high school graduates.

Asked how the university could accomodate such an increase in the face of already-crowded facilities, Naylor smiled, "I would like to have the problem."

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## Gateway Girls Vie For Semester Title

This week the Gateway presents this semester's 12th and final Coed of the Week.

While 13 is sometimes considered an unlucky number, it will prove quite the opposite for one of the comely 12.

The 18th week will find the Gateway announcing the Coed

of the Semester. And everyone has a say in who it will be. The Coed of the Semester

will be selected through an allschool vote held today. Any full-time student can vote. All that is required is an activity card and a copy of the Gateway

Gateway staff members will be manning a voting table from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the Student Center Game room.

To refresh your memory, all 12 weekly winners are pictured on pages 4 and 5, along with the voting ballot.



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#### Editorially Speaking

## Regents' Greatest Problem-Ineffective Communications

Perhaps the Traywick administration was ineffective. Old problems persisted, new ones cropped up; few were really solved.

Acting president Kirk Naylor appears to be a forward-looking man. He may solve some of those problems. At least he has some fairly clear-cut plans.

When a permanent president is selected, the Regents will undoubtedly make every effort to fill that post with a capable, wellqualified, aggressive individual.

Perhaps Dr. Traywick is justified in seeking over \$31,000 in severance pay. At least, it is not an uncommon practice to "pay off" an individual who is relieved of his post prior to the termination of his contractual agreement.

With university finances termed "critical" at this point, it would seem we could ill-afford to, in effect, pay two presidents a full salary for the year ahead. But, then again, perhaps this is in the best interest of the university.

This leaves only one real point of contention. The handling of the whole affair definitely was not in the best interest of the university. The public would have responded far more favorable to the truth than to the botched attempt at "public relations" in the dismissal of Traywick.

Telling the truth is always the best method.

Regents president Robert Spire was quoted to the effect that he "didn't think the public would express so much interest."

That should have been obvious. When over \$31,000 - part of them taxpayers dollars - are to be paid to a man who "voluntarily" relinquishes a post, the general populace is bound to express concern.

This much is evident . . . the Regents have a communications problem. They must establish a more effective flow of communications with the faculty, with the student body, with the press, with all interested parties.

Without this, their problems can only grow.

## Ordeal Of Registration Eases

Over the years, the administrative staff of this university has tested various types of registration procedure.

This semester — as you no doubt well remember — the administration "experimented" with having all but seniors and graduate students register on the same day on a first-come-first-serve basis.

The experiment failed miserably.

The Gateway noted the failure and editorially suggested that w system be devised or the old system of registration by clas standing be re-established.

The latter suggestion has been followed. Second semester registration will be spread over a four-day period with specific registration times for specific number of hours earned.

After the first semester ordeal, it's bound to be an improve-

### Other Student Council Action

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In other council reports . . .

Director of Student Activities, Fred Ray, said arrangements are not going well with the Association Combo. He has been trying to arrange a concert since the Association broke the engagement to play for homecoming. February is tentatively planned for the concert, and Ray is also trying to get the civic auditorium for the show.

Council secretary, Beverly Grasso, chairman of the December 16 all-school Christmas dance blasted the Gateway for not publicizing the dance enough,

Everything was fine, she said, the crowd, the combo and everyone enjoyed the door prizes; but the Gateway just did not give it enough publicity.

Four-hundred dollars had been alloted for the dance.

Omaha University will host nearly 40 students from four area colleges for the CIC convention tomorrow.

Omaha mayor A. V. Sorensen's administrative assistant, Eugene Frese will be the featured speaker.

Student council members will also conduct seminars on student problems.

#### Official University Calendar

FRIDAY — JANUARY 6
Gateway, 9 a.m., BSC First Floor
Senior Class Dues Collection, 10
a.m., BSC First Floor
Student Center House & Grounds
Committee, 19;30 a.m., BSC 301
Ski Club, 11 a.m., BSC First Floor
Student Center Exhibits Committee, 12:30 p.m., BSC 234
United Protestant Chaplain, 1
p.m., BSC 309
Indiannes Practice, 2:30 p.m.,
Fieldhouse
A.I.E., 5:30 p.m., BSC 301
Delta Sigma Pi, 6:30 p.m., BSC
309

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Psi Chi, 7 p.m., BSC 301
Registration — C.I.C. Conference, 7:30 p.m., BSC 234
Wrestling — OU vs. St. Cloud
State, 7:30 p.m., Fieldhouse
SATURDAY — JANUARY 7
Pre-Nursing Tests, 8 a.m., Adm.
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C.I.C. Conference, 9 a.m., BSC 312
A & B; 12 Noon, BSC Dining
Rooms A & B
Basketball — OU vs. Emporia
State College, 8 p.m., Fieldhouse
SUNDAY — JANUARY 8
Newman Club, 10:30 a.m., St. M.
Mary's Social Hall
Phi Mu Alpha, 1:30 p.m., Music
Building

Phi Mu Alpha, 1:30 p.m., Music Building
Home Economics Club, 2 p.m., Central United Presbyterian Church, 55th & Leavenworth MONDAY — JANUARY 9
Speakéasies, 11:30 a.m., BSC Cafeteria Alcove C
Student Center Films Committee, 11:30 a.m., BSC 234
Student Center Concerts & Lectures Committee, 12:30 p.m., BSC 234

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United Protestant Chaplain, 1 p.m., BSC 309

University Band Rehearsal, 2:30 p.m., BSC Ballroom

Movie—"Pit And The Pendulum," 3:30 p.m., BSC OUampi Room I.E.E.E., 4:30 p.m., BSC 303

Phi Kappa Phi, 4:30 p.m. BSC 303

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Alphia Epsilon Pi, 7 p.m., BSC 234

and 307

Table Tennis, 7 p.m., Women's P.E. Building

Young Democrats, 7:30 p.m., BSC 314

Orchesis, 3:30 p.m., West Quonset Rho Epsilon, 5 p.m., BSC 314

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Representative—Balfour, 6 p.m., BSC Third Floor

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 11

"Relax Before Exams" Concert, 11:30, a.m., BSC Ballroom

Campus Christian, Fellowship, 12

Noon, BSC Cafeteria Alcove A United Protestant Chaplain, 1 p.m., BSC 309

Student Center, Calendar & Communications Committee, 1:30 p.m., BSC Third Floor

Sorority Meetings, 6 p.m., BSC Third Floor

Student Center, Special Events Quonset

Angels, 5 p.m., Adm. 389

Representative—Balfour, 6 p.m., BSC Third Floor

Student Center Special Events Committee, 10:30 a.m., BSC Cafeteria Alcoves & & B

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NSF—AYI, 11 a.m., BSC Cafeteria Alcoves A Committee, 10:30 a.m., BSC 301

Student Center Special Events Committee, 10:30 a.m., BSC 234

Christian Science Organization, 4:45 p.m., BSC 10:28

Committee, 10:30 a.m., BSC 301

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American Society of Civil Engineers, 7 p.m., BSC 312 B

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American Society of Civil Engineers, 7 p.m., BSC 312 B AFROTC — Sabres, 6:30 a.m., Fieldhouse
Tomahawk — Senior Pictures, 8 s.m. - 4 p.m., BSC 315 (Monday through Friday)
Art Show — Roger Williams, Sculptor, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m., BSC 313 (Monday through Friday)

#### **Teachers Plan** March Meeting

Arrangements for the tenth annual meeting of the Missouri Valley Conference of Collegiate Teachers of History are nearly complete.

It is scheduled for Mar. 10 and 11, 1967. Top-name speakers have been arranged to speak at the dinners and luncheons.

Homer Knight, national president of Phi Alpha Theta, national history honorary, will speak. He comes from Oklahoma State University.

Boyd C. Shafer of Macalester College will also speak. He is the former executive secretary of the American Historical Association.

The history editor for Charles Scribner's Sons Publishing Company, Goldwin Smith is a third speaker. He represents Wayne State University.

A fourth speaker, Oscar O. Winther, comes from Indiana University. He is the former president of the Western History Association.

#### Letters To The Editor

#### Fact And Rumor

Dear Editor,

I heard a rumor to the effect that the Gateway paper is having a Coed of the Semester. Is there any truth to this rumor? If so, do you think anyone but the Greeks will vote? The candidates are all Greeks anyway.

John Sothman.

The election is no rumor; your second contention is. Yes, there will be a Coed of the Semester selected (see page one story). No, they aren't all Greeks. Two of this semester's Coeds - Paula Magzamin and Kathy Piccolo - are unaffiliated.

#### Ignorance Encouraged?

Dear Editor.

In October of this year I spent one or two hours in a music room at the student union. It was a quiet place to go where the "in crowd" wouldn't disturb my low power of concentration.

I was told by one of the ladies at the desk that studying was not allowed in these music rooms. When several people want to use the rooms, I can see the reasoning; but when the other room was unoccupied for the entire evening, I couldn't open a book.

It seems to me that an institution of higher learning would encourage a student to study whenever and wherever he could. The library is usually crowded and the lounge is often closed. There aren't many alternatives left for the student who wants to study on campus.

Perhaps unused class rooms could be opened for students. With the rising number of students attending O. U. every semester, additional study facilities will have to be made avail-

Neil M. Bloom

#### Monumental Stupidity

The Senior Class of 1966 has indeed left a beautiful and lasting memento to the students of Omaha University. Mementos are fine, but what is their place on a growing, progressive campus? Just where will the gift be built to insure its permanence. If and when the University "Goes state," the O.U. expansion program will suddenly snap into focus, and plans for new buildings and more land will become a vivid reality.

Will our monument to the fund raising ability of the class of '66 be safe in this atmosphere of progress? Will it still be here in the days of '76? Ten years can bring about tremendous modifications in the size and appearance of a small, growing University.

What use will it be? It will make a fine subject for photography students, but I can't imagine the probability of students rushing from classes for the opportunity of sitting within the confines of a cement fence.

How many books would 4000 dollars contribute to the library? What equipment would it place in a science lab? How about a scholarship? A grant of \$200 dollars per semester would last for ten years, 4000 dollars would buy a complete college education for two people who could never have otherwise even hoped to further their education.

The student body seems dissatisfied with the attempt to secure tax money to support the University. Elements of the student body seem dissatisfied with the manner in which the adminstration disposes of the student funds. Why then, do they themselves dispose of their own funds in such a spirit of vain frivolity?

Must this money be used for its present intended purpose? Is the administration really obligated to waste 4000 dollars? It would seem that true philanthropy could achieve finer goals than the building of white elephants.

Robert Worth Wayne Smithberg Lonnie Schaffroth

## President vows **Lower OU Tuition**

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He explained "with potential enrollees fighting to get in, we would be in a far more favorable position to seek aid for a building program."

More office, classroom and laboratory space is needed in spite of the recently completed addition to the Administration Building. But with enrollment dropping (down 600 from last year) funds for a building program would be hard to obtain.

An additional ten per cent drop in enrollment is anticipated for second semester. But, according to Naylor, that is normal. Most universities around the country experience a drop in enrollment for the second semester of the school year.

Another of Naylor's goals is hiring additional faculty members and increasing salaries to retain the faculty we have. This probably won't be accomplished this year, but it ranks high on the list of projected goals.

As far as being accepted by the faculty, Naylor said, "I'm sure the faculty, staff, student body, alumni and all interested friends will rally behind me and exhibit the spirit and loyalty necessary to continue the fine programs now in existence at this very fine university."

Dr. Naylor's post as acting president is for an indefinite period. He will serve until such time as a permanent president is

Asked if he would accept the presidency on a permanent basis, Naylor replied, "I'll cross that bridge when I come to it."

### American Drama Still In Pace Colleges Support Development

#### By Ken Lambrecht

Has American drama reached a point of diminishing returns as some critics would have us believe?

"No," said Doctor Edwin Clarke, OU's theater director, when asked this question.

"Critics who make such rash judgments about the stability of the American theater are usually those who get panicky when new plays on Broadway are not presented in succession," said Dr. Clarke.

"When an American play is rerun, such critics moan the illness of the American drama and its eventual demise. Why?

"Simply because the play is not new. Such logic leaves a lot to be desired."

#### Drama Keeping Pace?

Asked whether contemporary American drama is keeping pace with other countries Dr. Clarke said, "yes," adding that in quality it may very well be ahead.

But what are our colleges and universities doing to keep American drama healthy?

"The larger percentage of drama majors graduating from colleges and universities do not become great actors and actresses, nor can serious playwrights be produced assembly-line fashion," said Dr. Clarke. "The greatest quantitative offering by colleges to drama is the audience."

"Drama majors, because of their education, are not only interested in the stage; but, also their knowledge of drama demands quality beyond that of most Hollywood pap," said Dr. Clarke.

When questioned on the where-abouts of the young budding American playwright, Dr. Clarke said, "Until recently, the college graduate who attempted to make his living as a playwright was viewed as a sort of wet-behind-the-ears, not-to-be-taken-seriously type."

"But with the appearance of such college-produced playwrights as Tennessee Williams, critics are taking a second look and most are liking what they see," Dr. Clarke said.

#### OU - Indifferent?

While Dr. Clarke admits that many American colleges are taking great pains to encourage talented and aspiring young playwrights, by offering constructive criticisms and even producing original plays on their campuses, he gave two reasons for OU's apparent indifference.

First, that indifference does not lie with the drama dept., but rather with the student.

Dr. Clarke noted that in his 16-year tenure as director of university theater, ony two or three students presented him with

Secondly, because in Dr. Clarke's opinion, none of the plays he read were "meritorious" enough to produce with OU money.

## Around Campus

#### Grand Old Sand Of Literature

The fall issue of the Grain of Sand is now available in the University Bookstore for 45 cents.

The student literary magazine, usually on the bookstands before Christmas vacation, met a few

Give 'em The Brush
The starting flag for the Nebraska Centennial in Omaha will be a paint brush. -

The Omaha Civic Opera Society is sponsoring a Centennial kick-off event titled "The Happen-

Anyone and everyone is invited to take part in this event — the painting of Centennial scenes on the boards around the construction site at 18th and Farnam.

Outdoor paint will be supplied, but the artists must bring their own brushes. The subject matter is left free to the artist.

The "Happening" will take place on Saturday, Jan. 7, at 1 p.m. In case of inclement weather, it will be held on Jan. 8 at 1 p.m.

#### It's George's Business

Students interested in foreign trade and world business will have a chance to discuss current developments in the international field.

George Peckham, Alumnus Educational Counselor for the American Institute for Foreign Trade will be on campus to discuss this field.

All interested students are invited to make an appointment through Mrs. Yvonne Harsh, Director of Student Placement.

#### It's Fool Proof

William H. Thompson, former Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, has written his first book, "The Fool Has Said God is Dead."

The well-known psychologist received his A.B. and also a special Doctor of Laws degree from the University of Omaha in 1917. He also served as professor and chairman of the Department of Psychology.

Dr. Thompson inscribed in the edition he sent the Gene Eppley Library the following: Greetings to the University of Omaha - My Alma Mater - The cornucopia of my life - May she always prosper.

#### Get Ahead, Get A Sked

The new class schedules for the second semester 1966-1967 have been released.

The schedules may be picked up in the Information Office on the main floor of the Ad Building.

All times, dates and instruction for second semester registration are also listed in the schedule pamphlet.

#### Modern Math Has Class

KYNE-TV, Channel 26, will repeat MODERN MATH FOR PARENTS, an instructional television program for parents of school-age children, beginning January 16.

The program on mathematics which was shown last winter will be shown again on Monday evenings at 7:30 and again on Wednesday evenings at 8:30. Many school districts will have buildings open as "utilization centers" for the parents to take part in the class. A study guide-workbook will be available to compliment the series.

According to Program Manager of KYNE-TV; Leon Benschoter, over 1100 parents took part in the program as well as viewing at home, making the largest enrollment ever in major cities for this type of instructional program.

The television lessons are 30 minutes long and will run through March 15.

#### Gibb And Take

Two full tuition scholarships are available for senior girls in secretarial training.

Winners of the Katherine Gibbs scholarship may select any one of the four Gibbs schools for their training. The schools are in Boston, New York, Montclair and Providence.

They will receive \$1,350 in tuition and \$500 cash for a total of \$1,850.

Applications may be obtained by writing the Memorial Scholarship Committee, Katherine Gibbs School, 200 Park Avenue, New York, New

The scholarship committee will choose the two winners on basis of college academic record, financial need and potentialities for success in business.

## Traywick Chronology-From Firing

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of Administration Kirk Naylor to head the committee.

April 9, 1965 — The Committee of the Future holds its first meeting. The 21-member committee will be free to probe what it wants, says Traywick.

April 27, 1965 - Traywick and five OU deans go to the Unicameral hearing on a proposed bill. It would "prohibit aid to junior colleges or municipal universities unless the voters of the district where the school is situated have voted to become subject to the control of the University of Nebraska's Board of Regents or a subse quent body," says Traywick.

He repeats that he dosen't want OU to join the state system,

May 3, 1965 - Traywick receives a letter stating that OU won't get a \$800,000 Federal grant to help construct a \$2 million science and engineering building just west of the AA building. Kearney gets the money.

May 21, 1965 - The Committee of the Future prepares its preliminary report to President Traywick. The committee would like to see the formation of a faculty senate.

October 15, 1965 - Dr. Leland Traywick becomes the first president in OU history. to be formally inaugurated.

Freshman journalism major Robyn Carmichael offered this assessment of Traywick's inaugural address in the October 22 Gateway:

"The President himself was disappointing. Instead of the forceful, dynamic man most expected to emerge from all the

fanfare. Dr. Traywick smiled almost shyly and studied the platform. Instead of a specific, determined speech outlining the University's problems and his own administrative outlines, the audience was handed a sometimes brilliantly written, but useless mass of generalities."

Robyn concluded: "We hope



Bail . . . steps down

he has more than generalities for OU."

December 3, 1965-Dr. Traywick calls the completed work of the Committee of the Future "an internal sort of report." By doing so, he means the contents will not be made public.

February 18, 1966-A 20member Faculty Advisory Committee is created to assist Dr. Travwick. The Committee is to serve a dual purpose of facultypresident communications link and sounding board for ideas. The faculty elected 16 members while Traywick appointed one person from each of four OU

March 10, 1966-The regents

hold a closed coffee session for a half-hour prior to their regular monthly meeting. At the open meeting, the board unanimously decides to place a twomill levy increase proposal on the May 10 ballot.

Week of April 24, 1966-Two Nebraskans propose that OU become a part of a state university system.

The first proposal comes from State Senator Terry Carpenter. "Don't let Terry Carpenter take our University away from us," pleads Traywick.

The second proposal comes from Traywick's predecessor, Dr. Milo Bail, Bail favors a Greater University of Nebraska composed of several campuses to eliminate duplication.

May 10, 1966-Omaha voters go to the polls on a chilly, drizzly day. The result of their voting presents a dim outlook for OU. The voters reject the mill levy with 38,048 votes against to 28,631 for.

May 19, 1966-The regents vote a budget increase of \$876,800, which necessitates a tuition hike of \$4 an hour for residents, \$5 for nonresidents.

June 16, 1966—Omaha Attorney Robert M. Spire becomes the new regents president. He replaces outgoing Varro Rhodes whose term expires this month.

August 29-September 15, 1966 -OU wins a fight, at least temporarily, to have its twomill levy restored. The Douglas County Board sitting as the County Board of Equalization cut OU's already paltry two mills to 1.71. The state had increased property valuations 24 per cent.

District Judge Paul Garrotto thinks the County Board doesn't have the power to meddle in the matter.

November 17, 1966-Dean of Administration Kirk Naylor makes his regular monthly financial report at the regents meeting. The regents are surprised to learn that OU faces a deficit of over \$535,557 next semester.



Traywick . . . Steps In

December 3, 1966-Dr. Traywick unveils a long-range major expansion of the Graduate College. However.

On December 22, the SUN newspapers carry a copyrighted story written by Charles Hein. The story mentions a postponement on December 3 of a December 8 University meeting planned with Nebraska legislators.

The Board of Regents had to indefinitely postpone the meeting, says Hein, because Traywick had no financial presentation ready. Also the board is "upset" by Traywick's repetition that he is "unalterably opposed" to NU ties.

December 4, 1966-The SUN

says the board was also "upset" with the publication of the Graduate College expansion plans.

December 7, 1966-A:6W-H story published December 17 tells of three alternatives given Dr. Traywick on this date. Regents President Robert Spire said the discussion took place in Regent Margaret Fischer's downtown office.

The three possibilities are: -Resigning effective January

-Resigning at the end of the second contract year, January

-Resigning at the end of the three-year contract, January 31, 1968. However, Traywick under this alternative would gradually let others make the decisions. ' December 9, 1966-The SUN's article mentions Traywick calling a Faculty Advisory Committee meeting today as a last attempt to get some sort of vote of confidence from the fac-

December 10-12, 1966-The SUN gives the impression that this was a period when all was quiet on the Traywick front.

However, Traywick later files a suit which alleges Spire proposed to Dr. Traywick on December 10 "that the university would buy up his contract by paying to him the balance of all monies to become due under the contract if Dr. Traywick would tender his resignation as president of the University."

December 13, 1966-A local radio station by midmorning reports rumors that Traywick has been fired or dismissed and that Dr. Naylor was or would be acting president. 

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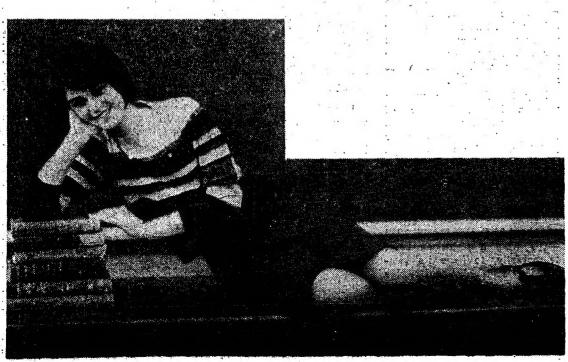
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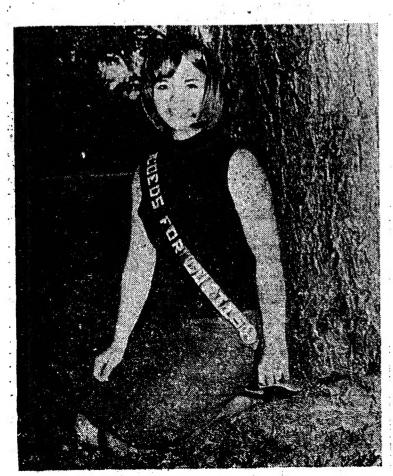
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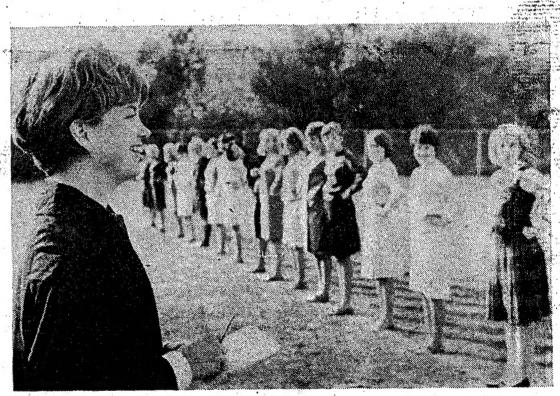
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## Cagers Shoot To 6-2 Season

Dennis Browne's 18 points and clutch basket with 11 seconds remaining enabled Indians to squeak past Rockhurst 60-59 Wednesday.

The Indians held what appeared to be a safe lead at 58-53 with only 1:55 remaining.

The Hawks, however staged a late rally and pushed ahead 59-58 with 28 seconds showing on the clock.

The Indians quickly called a time-out to collect themselves. Following the time-out the Indians were looking for the last shot.

Browne's 20-footer although true almost gave the Hawks time to win the game.

With seven seconds left Browne successfully managed to knock the ball out of bounds. The Hawks called time-out to plan a last desperation play.

Indians Keep Cool The cautious Indians kept the Hawks from dropping a field goal or drawing a foul.

Jim Etter, rookie from Ryan drew praise from Coach Jim Borsheim for his coolness as a replacement for veteran John Armstrong.

Rugged Jim Vincent dropped 10 points for his high of the

Both teams dropped a cool 31 per cent the first half.

The second half, however, the Indians hit a very respectable 57 per cent compared to 43 per cent for the visitors.

Both teams dropped 25 fielders but OU dropped 10 of 22 charity shots, while Rockhurst could manage only 9 of 19.

Colorado State's high scoring Bears broke a 28-28 halftime deadlock and rushed to a 53-49 win over the Indians. Dec.

The Bears, previous to the OU encounter had been averaging 102 points a game.

Cold-Shooting Indians

Credit goes to the Indian defense which held the Bears to almost half their average. Coldshooting by the Imdians, however, kept them from winning.

The Indians came from behind early in the game, but Colorado staged a late rally and tied the score at half-time.

OU's biggest bulge was the first half was 28-24, with 1:22 remaing.

Following the intermission it appeared that the Indians would run away with the game. The Indians jumped quickly into a five point lead at 35-30.

Cold-shooting then occurred. and the Indians were deadlocked at 39-39 with 13:15 remaining.

Bears Dominate Boards The taller Bears then began dominating both back boards and forged into a 50-42 lead with 5:47 showing on the clock. With only two minutes left, the Indians still trailed by a 51-

44 score. In this last two minutes, the Indians outscored the Bears 5-2. The rally fell six points short and the Indians were on the short end of the final 53-46

High point man for the Indians was John Armstrong with 12 points. Ten of these points came in the first half.

The University of Omaha basketball players found themsclves the leaders of the CIC. after the 70-56 win over Fort Hays on December 17.

Omaha opened scoring after a theft by Len Todd, but fell behind 16-7 in the first seven minutes, as the Kansans hit seven of their first nine shots. The Indians finally tied the score at 29-29 as Jim Vincent hit two free throws with four seconds left in the first half.

Fort Hays moved ahead 35-31 and 43-37 in the second half. Omaha moved to a 45-45 tie on a basket by Bill Haas, midway through the last half. Bill's bucket was his first score from the field in the entire game.

#### Browne . . . Team Leader

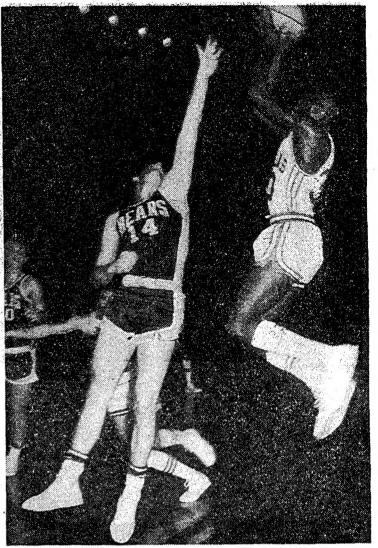
Dennis Browne was tremendous again. Demonstrating team leadership, Denny hit two field goals in the next minute and the Indians were in front to stay.

Todd and Dick Osterhaus hit six points apiece in the closing hectic minutes.

Browne led the Indians with 16 points, and broke the OU rebounding record by grabbing 23. Todd followed with 12 points to his credit.

With the Indian record standing a 5-1, the victory was one of teamwork rather than individual effort.

Jim Etter, freshman from Ryan, replaced John Armstrong who had early foul trouble and held Tiger star Charles Griffee without a field goal in the first



Leaping Leonard Todd outjumps Bear defender.

### **'Perfect' Indians Hoping** To Avoid Hornet Stings

By John Whisman

Emporia State invades the Fieldhouse tomorrow night in their first CIC encounter.

The Indians will be seeking to maintain their perfect conference record. This will be the second conference game for the first-place Indians who dropped Fort Hays in their first conference outing.

The Hornets of Emporia State are paced by seven returning lettermen from last years squad.

Coach E. D. (Gus) Fish, lost only two regulars off his 1965-1966 squad.

Last year the Hornets compiled a 9-11 record. To date the Hornets have an unimpressive record of four wins and nine losses. This record, however, could be deceiving as the Hornets finished third in the Pan American Invitational Tournament in Texas.

They defeated Central Missouri 73-69 in the consolation game. Indian Head Coach Jim Borsheim stated that the Hornets may have jelled in this tournament. If so, they could be a major threat to the Indians.

Carl Frantz, Dennis Smith, Dale Cushinberry and Randall Springs are four stalwarts returning from last year's team.

Frantz, at 6'10" could cause rebounding problems for OU's Dennis Browne.

Smith was the second leading scorer for the Hornets last year. He also was the top rebounder for Emporia last year. Smith placed second to OU's Browne in CIC rebounding.

Cushinberry and Springs add balance to the Hornets attack. Cushinberry, 6'5," contributes to the Hornets tall front line. Springs although only 5'11," is a good ball handler with decep-Kearney State will be the Indians test next Tuesday night.

The Indians will travel to Kearney to tackle the young Antelopes. Coach Wayne Samuelson in his first year at the helm has a young team to work with.

There is only one senior on the squad this year. Jack Wolfe is a 5'10" senior guard. Rod Karsten as a sophomore last year paced the Antelope scoring attack. This year he is again off in front as their lead-

The Antelopes will depend on Arvene Schultz at 6'6" to clear the boards. Schultz started last year as a sophomore.

The 5-14 record compiled by Kearney last year could be misleading. This could be the year that Kearney develops into a power in the Nebraska College Conference.

The potential is there, it just needs developing. If the Antelopes can gain confidence and poise this season, they could be tough for years to come.

The Indians will not return to the fieldhouse following tomorrow's game until February 7 when Pittsburg State invades. The first big road test for the Borsheim crew begins at Kearney State. The Indians play Pittsburg State on the road in a con-

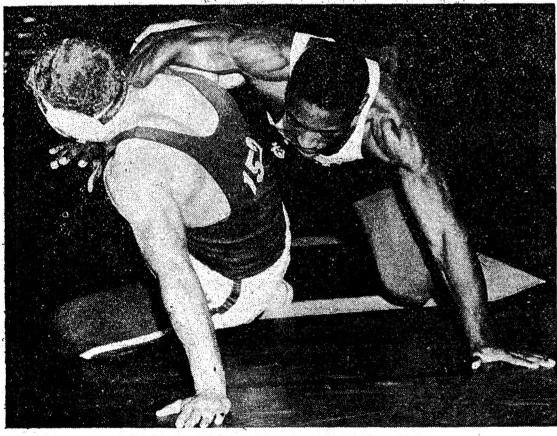
ference game. This is the only conference game on this road trip.

### Intramural Basketball Schedule

Saturday
6 p.m. Bruins vs. Pi Haps
Monday
8 p.m. Trojans vs. Beefers
7 p.m. Pi Kaps vs. TKE
8 p.m. Lambda Chi vs. The Team
Wednesday
6 p.m. "F" Troop vs. Bulldogs
7 p.m. Royals vs. Bootstrappers
8 p.m. Theta Chi vs. Bruins

Thursday
6 p.m. Bebels vs. Graduates
7 p.m. TKE vs. Satellites
8 p.m. Bootstrappers vs. Iota
Delta
January 14
5:30 p.m. INTRAMURAL WRESTLING PINALS

## Matmen Meet St. Cloud Tonight



Washington (right) decisions Minot State's Jerry Wallin.

The Indian matman hope to better their 2-1-1 season record by outwrestling St. Cloud State tonight. The 7:30 match will be held in the Fieldhouse.

Next Tuesday the OU wrestlers will tangle with the Drake Bulldogs in Des Moines.

Heavyweight Tom Maides lost his first match of the season to Gary Marx, and the loss enabled the Northern Illinois University Huskies to tie the OU grapplers 14-14.

Roy Washington and Wendell Hakanson both shutout their Huskie opponents. Washington beat Jerry Wallin, 4-0 at 152 pounds, and Wendell defeated Dave Pitzales 2-0 in a tough squabble at 167 pounds.

Bob Mosely moved up from

137 to 145 pounds, and provided a surprise by holding Jerry Mucciati to a 2-2 draw.

The Omaha University wrestlers suffered their first loss of the season by losing 15-12, to Minot State (North Dakota) on

Last-second losses by previously unbeaten Tom Ruffino and Wendell Hakanson muffed the Indians' hope of a third straight victory.

Minot State now possesses a 22-1 record over the past two

Although his string of pins was snapped, Roy Washington joined Curlee Alexander, Reggie Williams, and Tom Maides in the unbeaten ranks.

Kinze Williams moved from 123 to 130 pounds as a substitute for ailing Phil Taylor, and suffered a 5-3 decision to Minot's Bill McCollum.

Indoor track is off to a running start at OU. Coach Lloyd Cardwell says any college man interested in trying out for the squad should contact him immediately to check out equipment.

Practices started Tuesday.

Weigh-ins for the intramural wrestling tournament is slated for 8 to 11 a.m. in the Fieldhouse locker room Tuesday.

The tournament will start at noon.

## **Parking Oasis** Is Church Gift

The First Christian Church at 66 and Dodge provides an island of peace in the hectic search for parking for many OU students.

Since late in November of 1963, the church has permitted OU students to use its west lot free of charge. To many students, the lot has been a last resort in the face of parking difficulties.

On weekdays, the lot is filled to its 250-car capacity and has been a place where there is no fear of parking fines and no dread of not being able to outrun the University police to an expired meter.

The Rev. Ted Hurst, present pastor of First Christian, said that for as long as he has been pastor the students have respected the parking privilege by using the west lot only. Once in a while students park on the east side which is reserved for church business.

Although the added student parking does increase the maintenance of the parking lot, Rev. Hurst said that the members of the congregation felt that they were preforming a community service in helping out the students.

"The proximity of OU and the Church gives us the opportunity to provide a community service, but also to help serve the spiritual needs of the students" Rev. Hurst said.

### Interviews Help Grads By Pat Knight

What do the graduating college students do with their degrees? The first thing that comes to mind is, get a job. The students may be experienced in the pattern of schooling but they are novices at the

employment office.

To assist the graduating seniors in locating employment, the University of Omaha Student Placement Office arranges interviews for the students with business companies that are seeking qualified employees.

The Director of Placement, Mrs. Yvonne Harsh, said the office has many individual openings listed for graduating college seniors. "Many companies visit the campus for opportune students. During the 1965-66 school year, 93 companies interviewed graduating seniors and it appears that there willbe about the same number this year."

The majority come from the business, engineering and education fields, "In general, the interviews provide an excellent opportunity for making career plans," Mrs. Harsh said.

School systems visit the campus to interview teacher candidates. California, Colorado, Minnesota and Wisconsin are the principal school systems that come from out-state to recruit on the OU campus. Mrs. Harsh continued, "However, the majority of graduates prefer to stay in the Omaha vicinity."

The best source of qualified applicants for the companies is the college placement office.

Seniors who are interested in being interviewed should register with the Placement Office. Registration is simply filling out a data sheet for general information. There is no fee.

The Student Placement Office is located in Ad 231.

The trouble with being punctual is that there's nobody there to appreciate it.



Mary . . . Award

#### Zeta's Present **Mary Trevarrow** With Scholarship

The Zeta Tau Alpha Alumnae Award scholarship, given to an outstanding upperclassman, was presented at intermission to Mary Trevarrow.

Mary, a 22-year-old senior, is a Home Economics major and is currently student teaching at Lewis and Clark Junior High.

As Home Ec Club member and past assistant decorations chairman for Zeta, Mary is kept busy, but she has found time to do oil painting as a hobby and to maintain a 3.0 accumulative in her major field.

Mary plans to stay in the Omaha area and teach after graduation in June.

### **OU Retreat** Airs Affairs

Juniors and seniors with leadership experience are eligible to serve on a committee to plan a student-faculty retreat.

Applications are available today at the Student Center information desk for a student chairman or co-chairman and student members of a planning committee for the retreat. They are due Jan. 17.

The retreat will enable students to discuss campus problems with faculty and staff members.

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### **Production Shows Negro** In America

By John Prescott

One of the most controversial plays ever to be produced on campus will be presented by the University's Reader's Theater in February.

"In White America", by Martin B. Duberman, tells the history of the American Negroes' existence from slave ships to modern times. The author has not written a play in the classic sense, but has done exhaustive research into volumes of old and new documents.

#### Speak Out

These documents enable people to speak out across the centuries. "In White America" dramatizes, through speeches, letters, diaries and other historical chronicles, actual happenings in American History. The authenticity adds a stunning effect which is impossible to get from pure fiction.

"This is a very good play," said theater director Richard Albin. "It's dramatic and timely. The play tells a story that everyone should know about," he added. The story is not a "chest beater" however. It quietly and effectively tells the true story of the Negro in America, and Albin believes "this is the way to say it".

#### Wins Award

The award-winning play was first presented in New York on October 31, 1963. It won immediate acclaim. New Yorker magazine said, "I don't see how anything could have made the story of the American Negro more theatrical or moving." Time, Magazine called it "A poignant chronicle of the Negro's centuries-old legacy of pain." Variety said, "In White America" ranks as the most unusual and one of the most rewarding productions of the offbroadway season."

#### Many Quotes

The play includes many firsthand quotes. Many of these amaze people who are unaware of situations that are still very prevalent on the American scene Such are the words of Daisy Bates, who, one morning in 1962, tried to enter a public high school in Little Rock, Arkansas.

"Somebody started yelling, 'Lynch her! Lynch her!' I tried to see a friendly face somewhere in the mob-someone who maybe would help. I looked into the face of an old woman and it seemed a kind face, but when I looked at her again, she spat on me."

It is a play worth seeing.

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### **Purchase Award** Given To Hill

A purchase award of \$300 was made to O.U. art instructor Peter Hill for his oil painting "Telemann" entered in the 36th Annual Exhibition of Southwest Missouri State College at Springfield. The purchaser was the Springfield Art

Other entrants from Omaha University were sculpture instructor Sidney Buchanan and students James Freelin, Richard Stejskal Curt Madison.



Marsha . . . Playmate.

#### Sig Eps Choose Playmate Of Year

Members of Sigma Phi Epsilon choose Marsha Crafton as "playmate of the year."

Marsha is a member of Chi Omega and Ipmaoes. She is a journalism major, and has served on the Tomahawk and Gateway for four semesters. Presently she is society editor for the Gateway.

Marsha was presented with 18 long stemmed red roses, and a necklace at the annual Playboy Party December 18.

Pledges also presented their fraternity fathers with pledge paddles at the dance. Dr. Francis Hurst, sponsor of the group, was given a paddle from the whole pledge class.



Denny . . . Coolest Man

#### **Denny Reigns As** "Coolest Man"

Denny Boehme was elected "Coolest Man" December 17 at the Zeta Tau Alpha Fantasy 'n

The 19-year-old sophomore, chosen by all-Greek vote, is a Recreation major and plans to go into industrial recreation.

Denny, vice-president of Tau Kappa Epsilon, now works at the West Omaha YMCA.

#### Mice Brains Prove A Weighty Problem By Tom Giitter

What diabolic scheme lurks within the mysterious confines of the Waiting Room? Is it the working of an evil genius bent on the destruction of mankind?

Who is the mastermind of this sinister plot?

Would you believe Mrs. Patricia Sutter of Omaha University?

Mrs. Sutter is experimenting with young mice to determine the effects of physical activity upon the development of the brain.

To do this Mrs. Sutter has set up two groups of four 11/2month-old mice. Both groups are raised under identical conditions except the mice in group A are exercised for two hours daily on an activity wheel in the Waiting Room, while the mice in group B are living the "life of Riley."

The final result of the experiment will come toward the end of next month when an autopsy will be performed by Mrs. Sutter and the brains of the mice are weighed.

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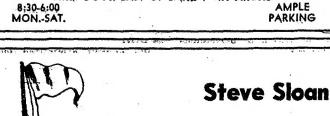
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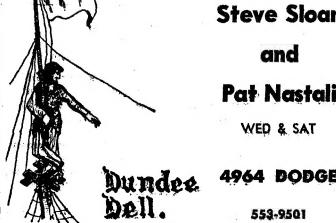
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# Traywick Loses Job; Drops Top Spot Twice

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At 3 p.m., after an on-campus consultation with Traywick, Spire confirms at a news conference that the president has resigned. Dr. Traywick said the move was "voluntary."

December 14, 1966—Arnie Garson, W-H reporter, writes, "The appointment of Kirk Naylor as acting president of the University of Omaha apparently leaves the road clear for the municipal university to seek state aid in any form."

Dr. Naylor says he's "not unalterably opposed to anything."
Spire says the board "does not plan to set up a screening committee for the presidency at this time."

Student Leroy Dyer leads a rally of 1,000 students questioning the regents' action. Dyer says the rally is in a mood that expresses "faith we have in our university."

December 15, 1966—Spire admits to Garson that the regents have been "meeting in unofficial session all month to discuss the possibility of naming Kirk Naylor acting president."

All nine regents meet and unanimously vote to accept Traywick's resignation as described in his letter of resignation, dated December 15, "on the terms and under the conditions described therein."

After the meeting is officially adjourned, Spire says, "The board did not go to Dr. Traywick and say you must resign."
"No one is mad at anyone," adds. Traywick.

"The board and Dr. Traywick initiated together," says Spire. "That is a correct statement," adds Traywick.

Of the nine regents, four were on the board when Traywick was unanimously hired. They are President Spire, Vice-presi-



Traywick...correct statement dent Sam Greenberg, C. F. (Pat) Moulton and Dr. Herbert Davis.

December 16, 1966—Arnie Garson reports Regents Attorney W. Ross King as saying "the payment of \$33,783 to Dr. Traywick for his unexpired contract is legal because Dr. Traywick's official letter of resignation does not say the resignation is 'voluntary.'"

King also says the use of "voluntary" to describe the resignation has not affected the legality of the action.

December 19, 1966—Tray-wick's suit says Spire directed OU Controller Harold Keefover to pay Dr. Traywick \$81,396 because the ex-president's salary had been paid for December. The suit says this action was authorized by the December 15 regents vote.

December 22, 1966—Taxpayer Marvin P. Walenz files a suit objecting to OU's paying Dr. Traywick for "work he cannot and will not do."

The suit notes that Dr. Traywick's contract had been "voluntarily terminated" as of Jan-

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uary 1. The defendants listed are the University, the Board of Regents, County Treasurer Sam J. Howell, Dr. Traywick and Dr. Kirk Naylor.

December 23, 1966—Traywick's own suit says that Spire and he met at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport today.

"In view of a taxpayer's suit, payments should be made in the form of a gift to Dr. Traywick's



Traywick ... refused gift wife in the sum of \$24,000," proposes Spire, according to the suit

The December 29 suit mentions no specific source of the \$24,000 "gift."

December 28, 1966—The Board of Regents meets behind closed doors for two hours this morning.

"It has become necessary in the opinion of this Board to dismiss Leland E. Traywick as president of the Municipal University of Omaha, Nebraska, effective January 1, 1967, and completely sever his connection with such university," reads a resolution unanimously adopted by the six regents present.

The regents' reasons given to warrant such action are as follows:

"A. Lack of executive ability, which lack was proving increasingly detrimental to the University and inimical to its best interests.

"B. Lack of initiative in developing and presenting definite plans for solving the University's growing financial problems

"C. Lack of the necessary leadership and decisiveness in conducting the affairs of the University.

"D. Lack of communication between himself and the Board of Regents, and between himself and the faculty of this University."

Spire gave additional reasons why Traywick would not be paid his extra salary:

"First, there was public concern as to why Dr. Traywick was leaving.

"Secondly, our attorneys have now advised us that we do not have the authority to pay Dr. Traywick the extra salary."

Spire thinks there may be a possibility that Traywick will file a suit.

December 29, 1966—A possibility becomes reality: Traywick files a law suit in District Court asking for \$31,396 in severance pay.

"The reasons assigned for my dismissal are, of course, without real foundation," was Traywick's statement read by his attorney Warren Schrempp.

Nevertheless, Traywick took his personal possessions from his office today.

Regents claim they have no knowledge of alleged "gift" of-

December 30, 1966—Marvin Walenz will continue his suit although it is rescheduled for February 9, 1967.

## West Dodge Story

By John Weber

CAST

(in order of appearance):
Regents President Robert Spire
Otto Ruehr
Dr. A. Stanley Trickett
Dr. John Blackwell

Dr. Kenneth Burkholder Mrs. Rosalie Saltzman Dr. Paul Beck Dr. Ralph Wardle Dr. William Jaynes

#### SCENE

A hushed Administration Auditorium with six regents and 200-some faculty and staff members seated. Dr. J. K. Brilhart and Regents President Robert Spire are the only performers on stage.

#### TIME

2:45 December 15, 1966.

## ACT I Spire's Soliloquy

(Brilhart introduces Spire who strides to the podium. The auditorium quiets as Spire is about to speak. . . .)
SPIRE:

It is an honor and a privilege to appear before this group.

What has happened is the best considered serious judgment of what is best for this University. It is a genuinely stated feeling (pause).

I don't come here to plead a case, but to answer the questions of the faculty. . . The basic function of the board in this matter would be our future intentions from here on.

(With emphasis) Our only reason for existence is to serve the University as its governing body (pause). Ultimately these matters are responsibilities of the board.

We are the appointed wardens in this case with a duty to approve broad policy.

Basically there are two things for us to do:

(1) select a president and(2) establish the broad policyof the University (he re-

What is the future of the

graduate program? Many of us

came to Omaha University be-

cause of a possible graduate

Our board has not at this time

We must approach this from

We love you, Bob (deep, deep

I have every reason to believe that you are an honest man,

(Trickett indicates he has

Kirk Naylor will never have

That the Faculty of the Uni-

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the University to immediately

constitute a committee consist-

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(Spire proceeds to state the questions of the faculty's letter of inquiry and then answer them.)

Question One: Who recommended it? The regents as a group.

Question Two: Who on the faculty was asked to support it. No one.

Question Three: Why was a representative faculty and administrative group not consulted? Because we did not have time to consult the faculty as individuals or as a group. . . We felt we could not operate the University at all unless we put someone in as acting president.

Question Four: By what process, and on what grounds, was the decision reached? The process was consultation by and among the board members. We felt at this time Dean Naylor would do a good job. . It is a very difficult period we are in now.

(Spire continues to do all the talking. He now asks and then

answers some of his own questions.)

Does the board have confidence in Dr. Naylor to serve as acting president? Yes, unanimously! (he exclaims)

Is there a commitment to name Dr. Naylor as future president? No, he has consented to serve as acting president at this time. There is no long term

commitment (with emphasis).

How do we intend to select the new president? There is a unanimous feeling that we should consult with the academic faculty and deans and whomever seems appropriate.

If we don't have a good faculty, we don't have a good university. The future of the University is in the hands of the faculty.

(A warning) Don't jump to conclusions. Don't let your ideas be based on hurried thoughts.

Hear us out (pleading tone).
What would you do if you
were a regent? (more subdued)

I love this group (with feeling).

#### ACT II

#### Spire-faculty Dialogue

the confidence of this faculty.

(He warns of the big traffic jam at 60th and Dodge Streets due to a mass exodus of faculty.)

We love you, Bob. Change your minds. (15 seconds of applause fol-

(15 seconds of applause follows Trickett's remarks.) SPIRE:

The final decision has not been reached. An acting president on an interim basis is what we have.

Things are not always as bad as they look.

BLACKWELL:

What is the position of the regents relative to getting state aid?

SPIRE:

We haven't committed ourselves to even seeking state aid. Any form of state aid would be considered. BURKHOLDER:

Dr. Naylor should not be prejudged and we should support him.

(4 seconds scattered applause)

SALTZMAN:

Where does the \$33,000 come from? SPIRE: He didn't resign with a gun

in his back.
We didn't try to persuade

anyone to do anything.
"Voluntary" is a difficult

word to define. (Laughter)
BECK:

What about the quarrel that must have taken place?
SPIRE:

No one is trying to club anyone.

#### ACT III

#### Two Motions

recommending a new President to be appointed and hopefully to take office not later than September 1, 1967. SPIRE:

The seven regents present think it is a proper motion.

(Motion unanimously carried by voice vote of faculty.) JAYNES:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That it is the sense of this faculty that no person presently connected with the University

of Omaha should be considered to fill the vacancy of the Presidency of the University without a favorable endorsement of the elected members representing the faculty on the committee to elect a President.

(Motion also unanimously carried.)
SPIRE:

We need the support of the faculty.

CURTAIN AT 4:15 P.M.